

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A piezoelectric/electrostrictive device ~~comprises~~includes a pair of mutually
5 opposing thin plate sections made of metal and a fixation section for supporting the thin
plate sections; One or more piezoelectric/electrostrictive elements are arranged on at
least one thin plate section of the pair of thin plate sections. ~~a~~An object is attached to
forward end portions of the pair of thin plate sections; ~~and one or more~~
~~piezoelectric/electrostrictive elements arranged on at least one thin plate section of the~~
10 ~~pair of thin plate sections; wherein a~~An areal size of a surface of the object ~~exposed~~
~~to~~interposed between the thin plate sections is larger than an areal size of an object
attachment surface of the thin plate sections.

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